

### **Amendments of the Claims:**

A detailed listing of all claims in the application is presented below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. All claims being currently amended are submitted with markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to immediate prior version of the claims. The changes in any amended claim are being shown by ~~strike through~~ (for deleted matter) or underlined (for added matter).

1. (Currently amended) A method for retrieving specifically identified shipping platforms which have been sent by a plurality of original shippers to a plurality of end recipients through a coordinator for reuse by the original shipper, comprising the steps of:

- a) the coordinator issuing a separate identifier for the separately identified shipping platforms of each original shipper;
- b) the coordinator creating a remotely accessible file describing each of the specifically identified shipping platforms on a computer site, in which each specifically identified shipping platform is associated with its original shipper;
- c) the coordinator accepting a listing from an end recipient of at least one shipping platform of one of the specifically identified shipping platforms identified in step (a) for sale at the computer site;
- d) the coordinator notifying the original shipper associated in step (b) with the specifically identified shipping platform of the listing of the at least one shipping platform listed by the end recipient in step (c);
- (e) the coordinator coordinating shipment of the specifically identified shipping platforms from the end recipient to the original shipper; and
- (f) the end recipient selling the specifically identified shipping platforms to the coordinator;

wherein the original shipper paying the coordinator a sales amount for the specifically identified shipping platforms; and the coordinator paying the end recipient a percentage of the sales amount.

2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step, after step (a), of marking the identification with a symbol representing the coordinator onto the specifically identified shipping platforms.
3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein the step of marking the shipping platforms further comprises marking the address for the computer site on the specifically identified shipping platforms.
4. (canceled).
5. (canceled).
6. (canceled).
7. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, in which the file created in step (b) comprises information on repair standards for the specifically identified shipping platforms.
8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, further comprising the step of repairing the specifically identified shipping platforms in accordance with the repair standards in the file.
9. (original) The method of claim 7, in which the repair standards comprise at least one item selected from a list comprising: a description of repair policy; general guidelines; stringer board repairs; excessive wear and tear and contamination; nails and hardware; and lumber that can be used to repair the shipping platforms.
10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the identification issued is based on at least one factor selected from a list comprising: a specifically identified shipping platform associated with an original shipper; and a size of the shipping platform.

11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the file created in step (b) comprises at least one item selected from a list comprising: the identification issued to the specifically identified shipping platform; the original shipper profile; an image of the shipping platform; repair specifications for the shipping platform designated by the original shipper; shipping platform specifications; and the annual usage of the shipping platform.
12. (currently amended) A method for recycling and reuse of an original shipper's specifically identified shipping platforms sent from a plurality of end recipients through a coordinator, comprising the steps of:
- a) requesting the coordinator to issue an identification for each specifically identified shipping platform from a plurality of original shippers and to create a remotely accessible file describing the plurality of shipping platforms and associating the specifically identified shipping platform with the original shipper, on a computer site associated with the coordinator;
  - b) marking the identification of the specifically identified shipping platform with a symbol representing the coordinator onto each of the specifically identified shipping platforms;
  - c) shipping products on at least some of the plurality of shipping platforms to at least one end recipient;
  - d) accepting notification from the coordinator of a listed quantity of specifically identified shipping platforms associated with the original shipper in step (a), which had been listed by an end recipient at the computer site associated with the coordinator; and
  - e) receiving at least some of the listed quantity of specifically identified shipping platforms listed in step (d) with the original shipper paying the

coordinator a sales amount for their specifically identified shipping platforms and the coordinator paying the end recipient a percentage of the sales amount.

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the step of marking the specifically identified shipping platforms further comprises marking the address for the computer site associated with the coordinator on the shipping platforms.
14. (canceled).
15. (Previously presented). The method of claim 12, in which the file created in step (a) comprises information on repair standards for the specifically identified shipping platforms.
16. (original) The method of claim 15, in which the repair standards comprise at least one item selected from a list comprising: a description of repair policy; general guidelines; stringer board repairs; excessive wear and tear and contamination; nails and hardware; and lumber that can be used to repair the shipping platforms.
17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the identification issued is based on at least one factor selected from a list comprising: a particular shipping platform associated with an original shipper; and the size of the shipping platform.

18. (Previously presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the file created in step (a) comprises at least one item selected from a list comprising: the identification assigned to the specifically identified shipping platform; the original shipper profile; an image of the specifically identified shipping platform; repair specifications for the shipping platforms designated by the original shipper; shipping platform specifications; and the annual usage of the shipping platform.